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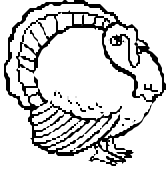
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone was generally steady on hens and toms. Negotiations were in progress and sellers anticipated an increased demand as the Thanksgiving holiday period draws nearer. Trading was heavy on Grade A 4-8 lb breasts for September-October shipments. Domestic activity was spotty on bulk meat and very light on bulk parts. On August 6 USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service purchased 5,606,000 pounds of turkey and turkey products for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

A heavy volume of tom drums moved into export channels with some negotiations at lower trending prices. Light volumes of thigh meat moved at prices that were steady in relationship to the destinations. Tails traded at unchanged to higher trending prices. Hen drums and thigh trim with bone fragments both traded at 20 cents delivered port.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 06, 2002**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	66.00	120	SEP	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	74.00	160	OCT	40	SEP
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	69.00	80	OCT	30	SEP

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 6 AUGUST 2002.

Trade sentiment on tom drums was steady to instances fully steady. Demand was slow to moderate with some sized product receiving a better call than unsized. Tom drum offerings in a full range with availability some what dependant upon sizing requirements. Tom full-cut wing trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady. Demand slow for the light to adequate offerings. The market tone was barely steady on necks for the light activity. Offerings available. Domestic trading activity was slow on all items. Export trading activity centered on a moderate volume on frozen thigh meat and on a light volume of tom drums.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	96.00	7
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	90.88	320
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	20.00		20.00	7
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	19.34	135
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	20.00-22.00		21.70	47
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	22.63	24
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	52.00		52.00	40
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	27
NECKS, HEN		R	16.50	18
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	133.00	90
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	156.33	120
THIGH MEAT		W	51.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		W	50.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	88.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	75.96	92
TENDERLOINS		W	117.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	136.67	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	54.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	19.00		19.00	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.00-21.00		20.55	224
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	16.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	20.25	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	41.25-50.00		44.66	560

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-72

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 7 AUGUST 2002.

The undertone on fresh white meat was steady at best, frozen steady to sometimes weak. Fresh white meat demand was light to instances fair for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. Frozen white meat demand was slow with instances of increased activity noted for spot loads. Buyer inquiry was noted mostly at lower prices. Offerings of frozen white meat were adequate to instances burdensome, except for unground breast trim. The undertone on tom drums was mixed as some attempt to clean inventories with sales at lower price levels while others remain confident in the market and sell at steady prices. The undertone on mechanically separated turkey was steady with increased caution noted. Thigh meat trade sentiment was mixed ranging from barely steady to fully steady with cautiousness noted. Domestic trading was heavy on Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts at 95-96 mostly 96 delivered September-October, balance light. Fresh wing meat traded at 56 and +6 month frozen destrapped tenderloins traded 107 cents delivered. Export trading was heavy on tom drums, balance light. Both thigh trim with bone fragments and hen drums traded at 20 cents delivered export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	89.00		89.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	20.00	7
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	19.34	135
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	20.00		20.00	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	22.63	24
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	54.00		54.00	40
NECKS, TOM		T	14.00	27
NECKS, HEN		R	16.50	18
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	133.00		133.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	158.00		158.00	80
THIGH MEAT	48.00-51.00		50.00	60
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		W	50.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	88.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	75.96	92
TENDERLOINS		W	117.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	112.00		112.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	136.67	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	54.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		T	19.00	160

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	16.00-21.00		18.67	808
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	104
TAILS	16.00-20.00		17.11	288
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	20.25	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	45.00-60.00		53.06	372

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#### BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 08/07/02

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	36,653	75,172	75,172
2001-2002	3,208	73,879	73,879